



Music Collection Development Policy

Introduction

The main music collection is located at the Massey Library Wellington Campus. The collection consists of a broad range of music material relevant to an academic collection and also supports programmes that are taught on the Wellington Campus - the focus is popular and commercial music (of any genre). As no music programmes are taught at other campuses the collections there provide access to some key music resources and some New Zealand music material.

History of the collection

The Turitea Library collection developed over a long period of time. It was broad-based and reflected the teaching of music on the campus over the years including both classical music and popular music. At the end of 2015 no further music courses were taught and the collection changed to reflect this - consisting of New Zealand material and a few key music resources. The collection at Wellington Library underwent rapid development after the merger of the Wellington Polytechnic and Massey University in 1999. The collection became an in-depth jazz collection between 1999 and 2014. From 2005 to 2014 Massey University and Victoria University joined forces to establish the New Zealand School of Music. At the end of 2014 classical resources were relocated to Victoria University Library and jazz and music therapy at the end of 2015. In 2016 a new programme the Bachelor of Commercial Music Production began at Wellington Campus. The collection at Albany Library grew after the establishment of the BMus Jazz in 2000. However with the end of the music programme at Albany in 2015 some music material was transferred to Wellington and the collection was downsized to consist of key music resources.

Description of the collection

- **Monographs**

The monograph collection consists of some 8,000 items

- **Journals/Databases**

The journal collection at Wellington is small with journals that focus on the current music and popular music instruments. This collection is supplemented by a range of some 200 current online music journals.

Massey University Library provides online access to the major music database *RILM Abstracts of Music Literature*, along with more general scholarly databases such as *Google Scholar*, *Web of Science* and *Discover*.

- **Music Scores**

Wellington has a small collection of around 3,000 scores

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- **Other Media**

Wellington has a small collection of over 5,000 CDs,

Collection priorities

For the Wellington collection the priorities are popular and commercial music and essential academic music resources.

Areas out of scope

Music performance and indepth material across historical music genres

Withdrawal and weeding

Superseded editions are withdrawn as appropriate.

Preservation and security

At the Wellington Campus Library vulnerable and rare items are housed separately.